

GIRL IN DREADNOUGHT HOAX

MARINE HONORS FOR SHAM
ABYSSINIAN PRINCE.

Expensive Practical Joke Conducted by
a Couple of High Banks. The "Chan-
celier" (Craze) Gipsies, London—A Millinery
Boom—Skates, Poetry and Society.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Feb. 12.—The details have just
leaked out of a hoax played on the Cap-
tain and officers of the great warship
Dreadnought by five young men and a
girl. The merry crew are all of high
social position, one of them belonging to a
noble family.

A well known firm of theatrical cos-
tume makers was engaged to furnish four of
the conspirators with costumes and
makeups as Abyssinian Princes, the girl
being one of the four. The other two men
were rigged up as an attaché and an in-
terpreter.

No expense was spared. The details
of the costumes were correct to the in-
telligent point. Gold chains, ornaments and
real jewels of great value were worn.
The triumph of the makeup was the thick-
ened lips of the "Princes."

After days of careful rehearsal and when
they felt that no possible difficulty had
been overlooked the leaders of the con-
spiracy sent a telegram last Monday to
the commander in chief of the home
fleet at Portland saying:

"Prince Makalin and suite will arrive
at Weymouth at 4:20. Kindly make all
arrangements to receive them."

The telegram was ostensibly signed by
a high official of the Admiralty.

Travelling in a special saloon carriage,
the party reached Weymouth and were
taken in state to the Dreadnought, lying
off Portland. They were received on
board with all the honors, flags flying and
marines standing at "present arms."

The interpreter and the attaché played
their parts magnificently. Wireless
telegraphy, the big guns and the torpedoes
were explained. Prince Makalin, when
the inspection of the ship was finished,
wished to confer a decoration on the officer
conducting the party, but the latter
had to refuse in conformity with the
naval regulations. At last the Prince,
who was supposed to be in England ar-
ranging for the sending of his sons and
nephews to Eton, withdrew with his
suite, regretfully refusing a proffer of
tea.

The Dreadnought, it is said, weighed
anchor before the Admiralty discovered
the hoax from the foregoing account of
it which is printed here to-day.

BARONETS WIN A POINT.

The grievances of the British baronets
have been frequently aired in recent
years, as has been noticed in THE SUN.
At last something has been done to re-
store a little tranquillity in the bosoms
of these not quite noble ones, who owe
their status and dignity to the financial
embarrassments of King James I.

A commission of inquiry was appointed
some time ago to investigate the abuses
of the baronetage and it has suddenly
and unexpectedly borne fruit in the
shape of a royal proclamation. An official
roll is to be prepared and kept at the
Home Office under the care of a special
registrar. Only those on the list may
use the title. Apparently there is no
provision for a penalty for usurpers of
the "Sir" prefix, of whom a great many
exist, but the bona fide baronets will have
the right to be registered at the Home
Office, and of course this will result
in the ready exposure of fakers.

YOUNG LONDON ON ROLLERS.

Small boys are rejoicing over a north
London magistrate's decision that there
is nothing illegal in street roller skating.
Heretofore the police have kept a very
close eye upon the juvenile skater. He
has been limited to one skate only. His
mode of progression has been a series of
hops.

Suddenly every boy seems to have be-
come possessed of a full pair of skates
and along the pavements of quiet streets
they may be seen exercising their new
found right.

The "fort" is spread very
quickly through the schools that skating
was allowed, and after one boy had made
an experiment by passing the "savagely
tubby" in north London on his rollers
every juvenile who could follow suit.

CHANCELEER.

Having read and discussed for a whole
week the countless descriptions and criti-
cisms of "Chanteleer," London is begin-
ning to think it is not such an epoch mak-
ing play after all and that the difficulties
of translating and adapting it are prac-
tically insuperable. The criticism of
Guttry, written to a London actor, says:

"The prologue is delicious, as is the first
act. The second is magnificent and the
fourth admirable. Unfortunately it is a
little spoiled by the impression left of a
farcical third act."

Max Beerholdt recalls an interesting
parallel story, which he remembers hear-
ing Oscar Wilde tell. Wilde called it
"St. Timothy of the Desert," and he in-
tended to write it. The story was about
a hermit saint, who knelt every night
and prayed to God that the sun should
rise, and when the sun had risen prayed
for His goodness in having granted his
prayer and vouchsafed the miracle.

One night, however, the saint, exhausted
by some exceptional penance that he had
laid on himself in the day, slept so long
that when he awoke the sun was shining
into his eyes. For a while he was
greatly perplexed and agitated. Strange
thoughts laid hold of him, but presently
his face cleared and he knelt down on the
sand and praised God that he had had
that day of His own will.

A BARNYARD CRAZE.

London has seldom accepted any craze
from Paris as quickly as the "Chanteleer"
one. No sooner did the weird feather
concoctions known as "Chanteleer" hats
appear in the gay city than they were
imported post haste into England, in all
their hideousness. The "Guirly toque,"
named after the impersonator of *The
Cock*, is the most popular. It is a hat
made of a large black fowl with a red
comb. It is worn well over the forehead.

The "Simone toque," which takes its
name from the actress who impersonated
the *Hen Pheasant* in the play, is made
of natural golden pheasant plumage.
The "White Hen toque" and the "Yellow
Chicken toque" are other French mon-
strousities which English women are ha-
stening to buy. The "Pheasant" opera
cloak is a cleverly shaped coat with wing-
like sleeves, in a wonderful combina-
tion of blue, purple and green.

There are also "Chanteleer" hat pins,
purses and buckles on the market; in fact,
the "Merry Widow" who so long reigned
supreme over millinery, gowns and no-
velty, must hang her diminished head.
Hence day is over. The millinery says
"Chanteleer" has given it a tremendous
boom to early spring millinery in this
usually dull time.

POETRY, LIFE, SPORT.

The Poetry Recital Society will celebrate

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CHARCOT FOUND NEW LAND.

Tells His Wife by Cable of His Discoveries
in the Antarctic Circle.

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PARIS, Feb. 12.—Dr. Charcot, head of
the French Antarctic expedition which
has just returned to Punta Arenas, Chile,
on the Pourquoi Pas, cabled his wife this
afternoon as follows:

"I think I have accomplished the mis-
sion entrusted to me by the Academy of
Sciences. After discovering a large
harbor south of Adelaide Island we at-
tained the land of Alexander I., which
was the goal of the expedition. There
we found plenty of ice."

"Then we went north and wintered at
Peterman Island. The campaign included
a reconnaissance of South Shetland, especially
Deception and Bridgman islands."

"On our way south we discovered a new
land and ascertained again the position
of Peter I. Island. Have navigated be-
tween 60 and 71 degrees latitude south
and 123 degrees longitude west."

RUSSIAN EMIGRATION REFORM.
Severe Checks on Fraud by Agents—
Sweeping University Change.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—To initiate
his programme for bettering the con-
dition of the Russian poor the Government
has issued a drastic set of regulations
for the emigration traffic, the greater
part of which is directed to North America.
All emigration agencies must be licensed
by the Ministry of Commerce yearly.
The licenses can be cancelled by Govern-
ment order. Every agency must be
directed by a Russian subject amenable
to the civil and criminal law.

Any foreigner in the employ of a Russian
agent breaking the regulations will be
expelled from the country. Every agent
must deposit 10,000 rubles (about \$5,000)
to meet claims. If an emigrant at the
port of landing finds that he has been
defrauded by an agent, the Russian
consul at the port will arbitrate, and his
decision will be enforced against the
agent's goods in Russia.

Canvassing for emigrants by means
of promises that the authorities consider
knowingly false will be punished by
imprisonment without the option of a
fine. An emigrant ship is defined as one
carrying at least twenty-five emigrants
as deck cargo. Each ship is bound to
maintain and lodge emigrants three days
beyond the time of the actual passage.

The educational world of Russia is
deeply agitated by a threat that the
Government intends to impose a new
university statute by means of the Russian
signature without waiting for legislation
by the Duma or Council of the Empire if
their debates are not concluded at the
present session.

The proposed statute is of transcendent
importance to the future of Russia. It
abolishes a university degree as an indig-
pensable condition to holding positions in
the civil service and proposes a separate
examination for that service. Most of
the professors, the Duma and the Council
of the Empire oppose the change as
diminishing university influence on public
life.

EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS 106,500.
Vatican Printing First Trustworthy Fig-
ures—30,000 Still Unburied.

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ROME, Feb. 12.—The Vatican will issue
to-morrow a book giving a detailed ac-
count of the expenditure of \$1,370,000
collected by the P. O. on behalf of the
Messina earthquake sufferers. The book
is profusely illustrated.

It describes the havoc caused by the
earthquake, gives the number of churches,
convents and institutions destroyed, of
the priests, monks and nuns killed, the
relief distributed and the churches re-
built.

It also gives the first reliable statistics
of the total number of persons killed. It
is calculated that the dead at Messina
numbered 90,000, of whom 20,000 are still
unburied, and in Calabria 16,500.

MULAI HAFID WEAKENS.
Humble Apologies Made to the French
for Moroccan Sultan's Bad Temper.

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PARIS, Feb. 12.—The threatened serious
situation between Sultan Mulai Hafid of
Morocco and the French Government
over the Sultan's action during a fit of
temper over the terms of a French loan
has been averted. He had issued orders
for the suppression of everything estab-
lished under the direction of the French
military mission and ordered the arrest
of the secretary who had been placed at
the disposal of Commandant Mangin,
the head of the mission.

The Sultan summoned the French
Consul and Commandant Mangin to the
palace yesterday and disavowed all
responsibility for the action which he
said had been taken by officers of the
Government without his knowledge.

The Chamberlain and the Minister of
War also apologized to Commandant
Mangin and promised that there would
be no recurrence of any such acts.

WHEN ROOSEVELT VISITS PARIS.
No Official Reception, but the Ministers
Will Welcome Him.

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PARIS, Feb. 12.—When Col. Roosevelt
arrives here on his return from Africa
the Government will not receive him
officially. He will be welcomed, however,
at the Elysee Palace in the Presidential
quarters by the Cabinet. This will be the
first reception given by Premier Briand
since he has been in office.

\$20,000,000 FOR FLOOD VICTIMS.
Bank of France Seeks No Interest on
Loan to Revive Business.

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PARIS, Feb. 12.—The Bank of France
has agreed to advance under Government
guarantee \$20,000,000 for five years with
interest for the benefit of small manu-
facturers and merchants who were victims
of the floods.

NOT TOO MANY AMERICANS

KAISER INVITED ALL THOSE
PRESENTED AT COURT BALLS.

Anyway Taft Did Not Swell the List
—Bede of the Rust on Art in the U. S.
—Nuremberg Sensitive Over Its Beer
Money—Fairbanks Due in Berlin.

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BERLIN, Feb. 12.—A report has been
cabled from Germany to the effect that
a communication amounting to an ex-
postulation was addressed to the Ameri-
can Embassy here by the Kaiser's court
marshal's department in regard to the
excessive number of American presen-
tations at the recent schlessempour.

It was suggested in these reports that
President Taft was responsible for the
number of these presentations, which
was more than that of all the other em-
bassies in Berlin together.

The correspondent of THE SUN is
authorized to say that President Taft
had nothing to do with the presentations.
It is true that the number of debutantes,
apart from the customary presentations
of members of the family of the embas-
sies, was larger than ever before. This,
however, was due to two facts: First,
the number of Americans coming to
Berlin is increasing every year; the second,
whereas citizens of other countries must
have been presented at their home courts
before they are eligible for presentation
here, there is nothing answering to a
court in America. Therefore, there is
no artificial restriction of the number
and character of those desirous of being
presented at the Kaiser's court. That
there is no dissatisfaction here with the
list of presentations is shown by the fact
that all those who were presented were
invited to one or the other of the regular
court balls.

Dr. William Bode of the Kaiser Fried-
rich Museum, whose recent purchase
of an alleged mid-Victorian bust was
as real work of Leonardo da Vinci
has attracted the attention of the whole
art world and who as a reward or solace
has been an Excellency by the
Kaiser, has been writing articles in a
German review on Berlin museums and
American competition. His Excellency
has decided, among other conclusions,
that the American taste is "limited."

The result is that good pictures may
still be found in continental galleries for
which Americans have no artistic
longings.

The new Privy Councillor finds that
Americans are prejudiced in favor of
certain great names. Gladly they buy
the larger works of Rembrandt, Velasquez,
Vandyck, Hals, Vermeer, Titian, Rafael
and Botticelli. They will be guilty
of any madness to obtain one of these,
but they care nothing for the smaller
works of the same artists. Moreover,
the works that they purchase must be
showy and pleasing in their nature.

The Biblical motives of Rembrandt
and the allegories of the martyrs of
Rubens are not salable to Americans.
This, his Excellency says, is a good thing
for the rest of the world, because the
value of a collection is not to be estimated
by a few dominant pictures; many a minor
picture supplies as much enjoyment
as the most imposing canvas.

George N. Ifft, the American Consul
at Nuremberg, is reported to be suffer-
ing a boycott as the result of hurting
the feelings of that ancient town. In a
report to Washington the Consul re-
marked that Nurembergers spent half
their incomes in eating and drinking.
He said the average man spent 10 per
cent of his income on beer.

The German American National Union
in the United States took the matter up
and it is reported that the Consul has
been instructed to make a thorough in-
vestigation and write a fresh report.
Offers of help that the new report will
not be published in due course of time
are not finding any takers.

Gen. Stewart L. Woodford and Mrs.
Woodford left here on Tuesday. They
are automobiling leisurely toward Paris,
where they will arrive on the 20th.

Former Vice-President Fairbanks is
expected here on Sunday. Dr. Hill,
the American Ambassador, will give
a formal diplomatic dinner in honor of
Mr. Fairbanks on Monday. He will

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